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Owing to the Strathnevis never reaching Japan to take her cargo, the goods advertised for sale will not be here until January 7th, the Sale of Bamboo Goods is

POSTPONED.

H. CUTHBERT & CO., Auctioneers.

TEMPLEMANS'S COMMITTEE No. II

Will meet in the rooms, Oldershaw's, at 7 p. m. to-night, before general meeting.

FULL MUSTER WANTED.

Land Registry Act.

The South half of Section Ten (10) and Sections Eleven (11) and Twelve (12) Comox District, excepting that portion of Section Twelve conveyed to Alexander Urquhart by indenture dated the 30th day of December, 1878.

Whereas the Certificate of Title of George McFarlane to the above hereditaments, bearing date the 30th day of May, 1883, and numbered 817A, has been lost, and application has been made for a duplicate thereof;

Notice is hereby given that such duplicate will be issued unless cause be shown to the contrary in writing within one month from the date hereof.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Deputy Registrar General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, 31st December, 1895.

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THE CUBAN REBELLION

The Official Reports Continue to Give Conflicting Details of the War.

But From All Accounts the Insurgents Manage to Hold Their Own.

Their Chances of Taking Havana is in Their Favor—An Enemy Both Sides.

Havana, Dec. 30.—There is still much uncertainty regarding the movements of the insurgents. According to the official report they are in full retreat, and it has even been intimated that Gomez is making for Cienfuegos, in the province of Santa Clara, with the intention of capturing that sea port. But an announcement made to-day would seem to show that Gomez is still in the vicinity of Jeguey Grande, south of Colon, in the province of Matanzas. Lieut.-Col. Perrera, commanding a Navarro battalion, was engaged with the insurgents near Calimete yesterday Calimete is not far from Jeguey Grande and is south of Colon. The fighting is said to have been very fierce, and the Spaniards are reported to have sustained the fire of the vastly superior numbers of insurgents, commanded by Gomez. The troops, it is said, have captured the insurgents' position and obliged the enemy to divide its forces. The insurgents are said to have lost heavily.

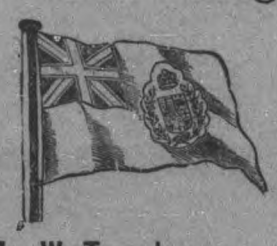
About an hour after this engagement the sound of cannonading was heard in the direction Maria plantation, about three miles from Calimete, and it is supposed that Gomez has been engaged with the Spanish column commanded by Col. Molinau. No details of this engagement have been received here.

The Queen Regent of Spain, through the prime minister, Senor Chaovas del Castillo has cabled her profound thanks to the mayor of Havana for the splendid manifestation of sympathy with the Spanish cause which was displayed by the citizens of all classes on Saturday last. Her Majesty said that she thought the meeting was a certain augury of peace with honor, and that all loyal citizens were perpetually united in hoping for the national wellbeing.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 31.—Henrik Cayling, editor of the Politchon, Copenhagen, called at the capitol to-day. Mr. Cayling has just returned from Cuba, where he has been looking over the situation. He says he has no doubt the revolutionists will ultimately win and establish Cuban independence. He asserted that the Cubans have many friends in Havana, and thinks that if the revolutionists attempt to take that city the Spaniards will find they have a foe within as well as without the walls.

There are many forms of nervous debility in men that yield to the use of Carter's Iron Pills. Those who are troubled with nervous weakness, night sweats, etc., should try them.

Public Meetings



Mr. W. Templeman
Hon. Joseph Martin, M.P.
(Of Winnipeg.)
Hon. A. N. Richards
Dr. G. L. Milne
Mr. E. V. Bodwell
Mr. Hewitt Bostock

and others, will address meetings of the electors of Victoria as follows:—

Spring Ridge, Oddfellows' Hall, Wednesday, Jan. 1.

Colquitz Hall, Wednesday, Jan. 1.

Esquimalt, Masonic Hall, Thursday, Jan. 2.

Mount Tolmie Ave. Schoolhouse, Thursday, Jan 2.

Institute Hall, View St., Friday, Jan. 3.

A. O. U. W. Hall, Yates St., Saturday afternoon, Jan. 4.

South Park School, James Bay, Saturday evening, Jan. 4.

SHIPPING.

Doings in Marine Circles During the Past Twenty-Four Hours.

After a stormy voyage the steamer Maude, Capt. Roberts, returned from the West Coast last night. Her cabin passengers were: Miss Munsie, Capt. McDougall, Capt. Schon, J. Marhar, S. Wearing, Mis Lapsy, E. Crompton, F. Crompton, G. Emery, J. S. Emery, T. Furnival, D. Morris, P. Criddle, H. Walker, C. F. Blake and J. Durvant. She also brought down forty Indians from Euchucleset. These had made arrangements to come down on the Mischief, which went to the north end of the island and which is long overdue. Some uneasiness is felt for her safety, but as Capt. Foot is a careful navigator, he may be waiting for better weather at Quatsino. The Maude brought down a quantity of gold ore from Alberni. The schooners Ocean Belle, Katharine, Borealis and Sadie Turpel were seen at San Juan. They put in there on Sunday night for shelter.

The steamer City of Kingston made her first trip on her new schedule this morning, and the Rosalie has gone on the Kingston's old run. Agent Blackwood, however, has heard nothing about the passenger rates being raised, and he is still selling tickets according to the cut made a few days ago. On the other side, it would hardly be in keeping on the part of the management of the Rosalie to raise rates after the promise they made when the war commenced that the rates would remain down, war or no war.

Owing to the gale which raged this morning, a number of outgoing steamers were late in leaving. The Joan got away about 11:30 and the Kingston at 1:30 this afternoon. The Kingston is now advertised to leave Victoria for the Sound at 8:30 a.m. instead of in the evening, as formerly. The Rosalie has also changed her time table and leaves her at 8:30 in the evening instead of in the morning.

TRANSVAAL TROUBLE

The Situation is Likely to Become Serious—Prof. Bryce on Venezuela.

New Year's Greetings from England for President Cleveland and America.

London, Dec. 31.—Prof. James Bryce, M.P., has arrived in England from South Africa. Being asked for his views upon the situation in the Transvaal, he said: "There is a pretty widespread feeling of dissatisfaction with existing condition of affairs. Much will depend upon President Kruger's attitude. It is hoped that the Transvaal government will recognize that the situation is or may become serious. The population of Utilanders is increasing rapidly."

With regard to the Venezuelan war scare, Mr. Bryce expressed himself as being greatly astonished at the news. "I cannot believe," said he, "that the American people have seriously contemplated war over a matter in which they have so slight and remote an interest. They are rightly jealous of their honor, but their honor is not involved in this matter, and the Monroe doctrine is inapplicable to it. The real ruler in America is not congress or the President, but public opinion. I do not believe that public opinion will allow war except for a cause which the conscience of the American people would approve as a righteous cause."

The Chronicle learns that Edward Tyas Cook, M.A., editor of the Westminster Gazette, who resigned the editorship of the Pall Mall Gazette on the sale of that newspaper to Mr. Astor, is to become the editor of the Daily News.

The Chronicle, in the course of a complimentary editorial sends a new year's greeting and good wishes to America and to President Cleveland.

The New York correspondent of the Times argues that the fact that Senator Sherman definitely allies himself with the President on the Venezuelan question, augurs ill for the cessation of the controversy. "Mr. Sherman sides with the President against all the great lawyers and all the best authorities on the question, both American and European, and against Monroe himself," says the correspondent. He thinks Senator Sherman's attitude indicates that the Republican leaders are still timid about separating themselves from President Cleveland's doctrine, which the good sense of the country has totally condemned.

Vienna, Dec. 31.—A violent earthquake shock was felt to-day at Wiener Noustadt, thirteen miles south of this city.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

Events of Interest in the Amateur and Professional Field.

FOOTBALL.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

The following team will represent the Y. M. C. A. against the Junior Wanderers in the game to be played at the College grounds, Beacon Hill, to-morrow morning, game commencing at half past ten. Goal, Snider; backs, Norris and Lorimer; half-backs, Scott, Prevost and Davey; forwards, Bland, Lorimer, Erskine, W. York and L. York.

THE TURKS MUST PAY

The United States Formulates Demands for Indemnity for Her Citizens.

There Will be no Tariff Legislation in Congress During This Session.

Details of Another Bond Issue Arranged With the Morgan Syndicate.

Washington City, Dec. 31.—Secretary Olney has directed Minister Terrell at Constantinople to demand an indemnity of $100,000 from Turkey for the benefit of American missionaries who suffered loss of property in the Kharput outbreaks in November. Minister Terrell has also been instructed to inform the Sultan's ministers that an additional indemnity will be demanded for the benefit of Americans who suffered loss of property at Marash, a few weeks later. This second demand will be formally made as soon as the exact loss sustained by Americans at Marash can be officially determined. It is not expected that the sum of indemnity will be less than $100,000, and it may be more. Secretary Olney, in his letter to the President on December 19 for the information of congress, said the Turkish government would be held responsible for all losses to Americans at Kharput. He has now begun the fulfillment of that promise. He also stated that a like demand would be made for the losses at Marash.

There will be no more tariff legislation by the lower house of congress this session. If the business interests of the country have been fearful that existing conditions would be disturbed by any new revision of the tariff rates, or any uncertainty caused by efforts to reenact the McKinley law, or change the Wilson act in the direction of high duties, their apprehensions may be set at rest by the statement made to-day by Chairman Dingley of the ways and means committee. Mr. Dingley said very positively that the Republicans would not attempt any important tariff changes now that the revenue bill had passed the house, and that his opinion on this point was given irrespective of whether or not the revenue tariff bill passed last week was successful in the senate or received the President's signature.

There is now no doubt that another bond issue has been fully agreed upon, and the details of a contract with a syndicate, of which Mr. J. Morgan is the head, have been arranged; so that nothing remains to be done to carry it into effect but for the secretary of the treasury to sign his name thereto.

Cincinatti, O., Dec. 31.—It is reported that two trains on the Baltimore & Ohio and Southwestern railway collided between North Bend and Delhi, ten miles west of this city, and that several persons were killed and many injured.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—The beer war that has waged for a year or so has ceased. All brewery companies doing business in Chicago have come to a mutual agreement by which the price of beer will be advanced on January 1st to $5 a barrel, the present price being $4 or less. It is estimated that this will result in the closing of 8000 saloons in Chicago during the first three months of 1896.

ESCAPED THE GALLOWS.

A Murderer, Under Sentence of Death, Breaks Away From Jail.

Roseburg, Or. Dec. 31.—Samuel G. Brown, under sentence of death to be executed January 31 for the murder of Alfred Kincaid at Oakland, this county, in August, 1894, escaped from jail here. At 7:30 this morning the jailer opened Brown's cell to allow him to enter the corridor to eat his breakfast. At 10 o'clock his absence was discovered. Two bars of the west corridor window had been sawed off at the top and bottom, making an aperture 12x14 inches. Brown evidently left immediately after breakfasting. A posse of about 50 men is scouring the town. It is thought he received assistance from an outsider.

Canadian News.

St. John's Nfld., Dec. 30.—The wreck of the Pouyer Quertier was floated off the rocks at St. Pierre to-day, and will be towed here for repairs. She has three holes through the bottom.

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—United States detectives have arrived here from Boston in connection with the case of J. R. Moir, now in jail. There are three charges against Mr. Moir for getting ten dollar each from three merchants. On his arrival here Moir opened an account in the Bank of Ottawa, depositing $2950. He is wanted in Boston under the name of J. R. McDonald on several charges, and steps will be taken for his extradition.

—"Odoroma" imparts beauty to the teeth, fragrance to the breath and health to the gums.

If Chinamen could only vote, what an army the friends of Col. Prior would muster at the polls!

—Thin or grey hair and bald heads, so displeasing to many people as marks of age, may be averted for a long time by

WITH THE ELECTORS IN THE COUNTRY.

mputations of Disloyalty to the Liberals Are Unwise and Unfair.

Official Records Have Cold Facts Printed in Plain Black and White.

Farmers Discover Who Flatter Them, but Legislate Against Them.

Liberals Don't Shirk the Important Issues for an Alleged Ministership.

Provincial Rights Here, and no Coercion for a Sister Province, the Cry.

The glass diamond that has been dangled before the electors by the Conservative coercionists during the present campaign had another chip taken off it at Cedar Hill last evening by the Liberal speakers, and now the farmers of that district are beginning to see that the stone presented to them for their enthusiastic admiration is very much off color. They have come to appreciate the fact that the party who pats them on the back and then legislates directly against them, to say the least, are not their friends.

Last evening's meeting was a thoroughly representative one of the voters of the district; men who came more to listen and learn than with any idea of party, and their interested attention was very gratifying to the speakers. Mr. Summers made an admirable chairman, and deserved the hearty vote of thanks accorded him at the close of a highly successful meeting.

The chairman referred with pleasure to the growth of Liberals in this constituency. A few years ago there was scarcely a Liberal to be found, but tonight he was glad to see quite a number present, and he hoped that on Monday next they would make themselves felt as well as seen, by returning Mr. Templeman at the head of the poll. (Applause.) Mr. Prior a week ago in the same hall had not said what he was going to do; he did not know, but now he he has come out and said he would support the Dominion government in whatever policy they have. The trade policy of the Conservative party for the past seventeen years had not benefited the farmers; that was plain. The chairman said the Conservatives were always ready to contrast the want and privation existing in free trade England with the condition of this country, but they said nothing about the large numbers of working people that go back to live in free trade England, as well as the numbers that want to and cannot. (Applause.)

Mr. Templeman, who was warmly received, was gratified at the growth of Liberal sentiment which had taken place since the last general election. It was boasted by the other side that the farmers would vote for Col. Prior, but if the warmth of feeling extended by the farms in the outlying districts to the Liberal candidate was any index of popular feeling, Col. Prior would not by any means have a walk over in the country. And, further, he knew that when the trade policy of the Liberal party is put fairly and squarely before the farmers, every reasonable man among them could not but see that it was in his interest to vote the Liberal ticket. (Applause.) Mr. Templeman noted also with gratification, and amid applause, the progress of the Liberal wave that has been sweeping Conservative constituencies aside, beginning with the doubtful Conservative victory in North Ontario and going through the sweeping Liberal victories achieved in Caldwell, Montreal Centre, and to-day in Jacques Cartier. A great deal had been said against the return of Hon. James McShane, in Montreal Centre, that he was a notoriously corrupt politician and a boodler, but if that is so, it was all the more discredit to the Conservatives, for he was elected in a strictly Conservative riding. (Applause.) It shows unmistakably that that constituency, along with the others that had gone Liberal, is strongly opposed to the coercion of a sister province, Manitoba, on the school question, which is the sole issue in this contest. (Applause.) It is an indication that the tide has turned and it only remains now for Victoria district to say whether or not she will concur in that coercion by returning Col. Prior to Ottawa to support blindly "Whatever measure the Bowell government brings down." (Hear, hear.) Mr. Templeman did not welcome this question, which is so apt to arouse racial and religious animosities, (hear, hear) but this bye-election had brought it in and we have to deal with it. If Col. Prior had been allowed to go to Ottawa unopposed, it would have been an endorsement by Victoria of the coercion policy of the present government, consequently, no matter what hesitation the Liberals had about opposition on the questionable honor of cabinet representation that had been held out, they had no hesitation when it came to a question of the threatened infringement of provincial rights. Controller Wallace resigned because he could not follow the government in their proposed course against Manitoba; Col. Prior has been offered and accepted his position, and promises to support, unquestioningly, any measure the government brings down on the subject. (Laughter.) It is therefore most important for the farmers to weigh the subject with the greatest care and consideration, before pledging themselves to a cause that may at any time bring about encroachment on the rights of their own province. The school question had been ably dealt with by Mr. Bodwell, and therefore Mr. Templeman would not attempt to deal with the legal aspect of the case; but briefly the Conservatives held they were bound to carry out some order of the privy council and re-establish separate schools, while the Liberals plainly showed that there was no such order in existence. Looking at it from the most reasonable point of view, anyone who understood the temper of the people of Manitoba would be forced to admit that the probable result of any attempt to enforce remedial legislation would be disastrous. In any event, it had also been clearly shown that such remedial legislation would be most hurtful to the minority of Manitoba whom the coercionists were so anxious to benefit. (Applause.) Mr. Templeman pointed out the course Mr. Laurier had followed in this question since the beginning. He saw his friend, Mr. Sabin, smiling, (laughter) perhaps in doubt as to whether Mr. Laurier had not maintained his course since then, but just to show the consistency of the Liberal leader in this matter, Mr. Templeman read the report of Mr. Laurier's speech at Saanich, when he was here, which agrees thoroughly with his present course. Then he recommended an investigation of the complaint made by the Roman Catholics that their children were compelled to attend Protestant religious instruction. When the fact was ascertained then there would be legislation brought in to remedy any abuse that might be found to exist, but he was distinctly against the separate school system.

WM. TEMPLEMAN.

Mr. Irvine.—Col. Prior is against separate schools.

Mr. Templeman.—How can he be when he is going down there, if elected, to vote for them? (Laughter.)

To the general policy of the government Mr. Templeman was opposed, believing it was not conducive to the people's best interests. He believed there should be a revision of the tariff. There seemed to be an opinion spread among the farmers that the Liberal party were going to establish an absolute system of free trade. Of course that was absurd, as it was undoubted that for a great many years to come yet this country must raise its revenue by a tariff. On this subject he took his stand fairly on the Liberal platform as laid down in the convention of the party at Otawa. But outside of that Mr. Templeman was opposed to the general extravagant policy of the government, who had increased the national debt by some $110,000,000. He believed the people of British Columbia were not in accord with the policy pursued towards British Columbia. (Hear, hear.) Facts and figures were obtainable to show how unequally this province is treated. The aggregate revenue received from the province was in round figures $2,000,000; that paid back, under all heads, amounted to $1,200,000, showing that the province paid $750,000 in excess of the amount received. That was three years ago.

A Voice.—Don't you think we deserve a member in the cabinet?

Mr. Templeman.—Of course I do. It is the policy of the Liberal leader to have it done in a manner about which there will be no question. (Applause.) Mr. Templeman said he had distinct pledges to that effect, and the people could depend on their being carried out to the letter. (Applause.) At the best, Col. Prior was only a controller and member of the privy council, and he could only be down there, if elected, for two or three weeks.

Mr. Clark.—Isn't the old saying "a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush" applicable here?

Mr. Templeman.—Decidedly; if you have the bird in the hand; but you haven't got the bird in the hand yet. (Great laughter.)

In conclusion, Mr. Templeman promised, if elected, he would endeavor to discharge his duty faithfully and conscientiously to both friends and opponents. (Cheers.)

Dr. Milne would refer to the tariff question in passing. He noticed in Mr. Prior's speech that he referred to Mr. Mackenzie's platform as being that of free trade. Such was not the case. The Liberal party had, on taking up power in 1878 found such a load of debt that they had to increase the tariff from 15 to 17½ per cent. to help to wipe out the legacy left by the Conservatives. If the government had come down with their policy and raised the tariff to 20 per cent. they would have received a much larger revenue. So that, instead of the Liberals being free traders then, the Conservatives had in fact accused them of being high tariff protectionists. The Liberals understand that it is not possible now to bring in absolute free trade, and they never said it could be done in Canada, but they hold that the tariff should be reduced to what is necessary for pure, honest and economical government. The effect of the national policy was to benefit ten per cent of the people at the expense of the other 90 per cent., in other words, the people paid for bonussing a few manufacturers. The Doctor gave a very apt instance of a man who found he could buy a Massey binder in Australia, bring it over here and pay duty, the whole cost then being less than buying it in Canada. (Hear, hear.) That just shows the combination that exists between the manufacturer, the C. P. R. and the Australian Steamship Company, to get ahead of the farmer. (Applause.)

A Voice.—The government don't run the C. P. R.

Dr. Milne.—No; but you have to admit that the C. P. R. runs the government, and that the government dare not do anything contrary to the C. P. R. (Great laughter and applause.)

The Doctor also showed up the mutton business, and how it assisted the farmer. The Liberal party never favored such a policy as that, notwithstanding all that had been said against them as being the men who were going to bring the country to ruin. When the Liberals sought reciprocity, it was such a measure as bore equally on all branches of the community; they did not preach protection to the farmer's face, while behind his back, after he had cast his vote for them, they passed measures favoring the manufacturer altogether, and not only leaving him out in the cold, but actually legislating against him. (Cheers.) Was that the act of men who were the friends of the farmers? Scarcely.

Coming to the school question, the Doctor knew that the people of this province believed in dealing in a conciliatory spirit with a sister province. The electors of this district would not send a man down to favor coercion. (Applause.) Because British Columbians, if they were anything, were lovers of fair play and provincial rights. (Applause.)

Mr. Marchant made a telling speech on the trade policy of the Conservative party as it affects the farmers. The last general election was fought out on the trade question, and both he and Mr. Templeman had been accused of advocating free trade then. They did no such thing, but they sought unrestricted reciprocity as against the re-Conservatives, whose policy, it was easily seen, would weigh most heavily and unjustly on the farmer. (Hear, hear.) The Liberals held that the revenue of this country, for the present at any rate, must be raised by a tariff, but it was their intention that the tariff should bear equally on all. (Applause.) In 1891 the Conservatives were willing to enter into a reciprocity treaty with the United States in natural products. Now how would that affect the farmer in British Columbia. (Hear, hear)? These natural products were those of the farm, mine and fisheries, as well as lumber. Now it would be a crime to force upon the farmers of British Columbia a treaty arrangement which would have the effect of swamping them with the products of the neighboring states where everything is produced far cheaper than it can be here. Was that looking after the farmers' interests? (Applause.)

Mr. Clarke asked that the act of 1893 be read, but Mr. Marchant was reading from the act of 1894, which, it was explained to Mr. Clarke, repealed all former enactments. Mr. Marchant showed up the deception practised on the people by the Conservative leaders in the last election, when they promised reciprocity to the people, well knowing that the United States government had distinctly said they would not consider any measure of reciprocity having only in view the natural products of the two countries. (Hear, hear.) To save appearances, Sir John Macdonald had to send a delegation to Washington, but, disgusted with the duplicity of the Conservative managers towards the people, President Harrison at first refused to see them. (applause), and when at last he consented to receive them they received the same answer that Mr. Blaine had given before the election. (Cheers.) Mr. Marchant scored another point in the matter of the Australian ships, which were enabled to compete with the farmers of this province especially. It was true a little wheat had been sent down there in a temporary scarcity, but he asked what natural products we could send to Australia. Will they send hay, apples, fruit of any kind, oats or other farm produce to Australia? We have received mutton and some of the butchers here had bought it and kept it for sale). The Conservative party had introduced a measure reducing the tariff so as to enable this mutton to be brought in and compete with the farmers of British Columbia. It was a deliberate attempt to force the British Columbia farmer into the strongest competition with the Australians. ("He's right there," came from several of the farmers.) Mr. Marchant went through the tariff, and showed in article after article how the farmer is discriminated against by these professing friends of his in the Conservative party. It was not claimed for the Liberal party that when they got into power wages would go up from $1 to $10 a day, but they would promise to deal justice out to the farmers, not pat them on the back telling them they were prosperous and happy when they were not; preaching protection for them, when a glance at the tariff showed that that was the last thing the thought of giving to the farmers. (Cheers.) The Liberal policy held that if a farmer sells $1000 worth of goods in a market he should be able to purchase $1000 of the goods he wanted on equal terms. (Applause.)

A question was asked about the Chinese and Mr. Marchant answered that the present tax on Chinese, as a means of protection for the workingman, was a farce. The tax, to be beneficial, should be at least $500. (Cheers.)

Mr. Martin very cleverly showed up the pious horror of the Conservatives over the election of Mr. McShane in Montreal Centre. It had been said Mr. McShane was a boodler. Analyse the situation and what was the result? The Conservatives of Montreal Centre elected their candidate at the last contest by over 1200 majority. Now that had been changed and Mr. McShane had been elected. By whom was he elected? The answer was plain (laughter). As to the cabinet minister question, that was a minor topic, but since the other side laid such stress upon it, something should be said about it. Anyhow there was nothing against the proposition to oppose a cabinet minister. It was Mr. Martin's honest conviction that Col. Prior is not and cannot be a cabinet minister. He is no more a cabinet minister, lawfully constituted, than the flag pole on Beacon Hill, but Sir Mackenzie Bowell, with his characteristic tendency to force the constitution from its lawful groove, with the idea of helping his partizan in this election, may make him a cabinet minister, contrary to all lawful procedure, and at the coming session to introduce a law and try and force it through the house whitewashing his actions and legalizing Col. Prior's position. (Applause.) But it is not possible to make an illegal act legal, and until the law is changed governing this point Colonel Prior is not a cabinet minister. (Applause.)

It was here that the immortal Tracey made a glaring exhibition of the ignorance which has made him famous and endeared to the smaller wire pullers of the Conservative party. He had an idea he could badger Mr. Martin, but that gentleman treated him with kindly pity for his deplorable ignorance on the cabinet minister subject as well as the geographical position of British Columbia, and the audience smiled good naturedly.

Hon. Dr. Helmcken, said Mr. Martin, had thought fit to accuse a number of the Young Liberals of disloyalty because they had questioned the right of the Dominion government to pass remedial legislation. That was too serious an accusation to allow go by without challenging. Those young Liberals had attended that meeting, believing that in doing so they were supporting what they understood to be an almost sacred principle of our constitution. But it seems they were mistaken in this belief. The Hon. John Sebastian Helmcken said so in most distinct and specific terms. He said then, in language more forcible than eloquent, that in refusing to give blind assent to the iniquitous remedial order of the Bowell government or even cavilling at it, they were acting the part of disloyal citizens and he stigmatized them as "agitators" working to accomplish political ends; "importations to stir up animosities," and "hot-headed partisans who should be frowned down." Not content with these aspersions this gentleman has been taken about from hustings to hustings by Col. Prior as a strong card to influence electors in his favor because after Dr. Helmcken had lectured fervidly on loyalty and patriotism and had sought in every way to make Queen Victoria an issue in this campaign. The same subject was taken up by his son, who told us that he was a "loyal citizen" and that his venerable father taught him from childhood to love, honor and obey his Queen and country. He also took upon himself to say that we were not loyal because we dared to cavil at the remedial order. This paternal and filial declaration of patriotic sentiments made a very impressive spectacle; in fact it might almost be called a living picture.

This is the loyal and patriotic John Sebastian Helmcken who, when in 1870 the British government was of opinion confederation of the British colonies in North America, and they wished to see British Columbia enter the union, was of the legislative council of 1870, for Victoria City, and a "cabinet minister" of the government of British Columbia. This gentleman was the most inveterate opponent to the wishes of the Imperial government. The records of the council show that he was the first to oppose the resolution introduced by the Hon. Attorney-General (Mr. Crease) and his remarks all through the debate were marked by a spirit of hostility to the wishes of the Imperial government.

The "loyalist" of '95 at Esquimalt:

"Obey without cavil the remedial order of the government. It is disloyal to do otherwise."

The "agitator" of 1870 in Legislative Council at Victoria:

"Her Majesty's government ought not to have interfered; they are not justified in interfering in business which we could very well manage for ourselves. I see no reason, sir, why Her Majesty's government should interfere with our affairs; there is no reason that the members of this council should be coerced." —Confederation Debates, P. 7.

Let those who desire read in the debates the further attempts of Mr. Helmcken to prevent the consolidation of Imperial interests in British North America. But there is a graver issue. Some residents of British Columbia, happily few in number, had gotten up a petition in favor of the annexation of British Columbia to the United States. There were not more than forty-two in number. Mr. Martin did not know that any "cabinet minister" of the colony signed that manifesto, but its signers found a "cabinet minister" eager to intrude their views in the deliberations of the legislative council. That "cabinet minister" was Hon. John Sebastian Helmcken. (Laughter.) He said then:

"Other issues than confederation may come up at the polls, and amongst them, the question whether there is no other place to which this colony can go but Canada. Whatever may be the result of the present vote, it is impossible to deny the probability of the less being absorbed by the greater; and it cannot be regarded as improbable that ultimately, not only this colony, but the whole Dominion of Canada will be absorbed by the United States.

I answer that they may do good to some, but the supplies of both food and raiment, will come from the United States, who will in reality reap the lion's share of the benefit; and what is more, as soon as the money was expended the people would begin to consider whether they were equally well off under Confederation, as they might be under another government; and if a change is desired, it is perfectly plain that Canada cannot use force to keep the people of this colony within the Dominion. They must be better off under confederation than alone, or they will stop in the confederacy.

When we look at the energy and enterprise there, (United States) and at the field which the United States offers for emigrants and the enterprising of all nations, how can we wonder that that country is preferred to ours, and that people when they are dissatisfied there should leave for the United States. The United States hem us in on every side; it is the nation by which we exist; it is the nation which has made this colony what it is, but, nevertheless, it is one of our greatest drawbacks. We do not enjoy her advantages, nor do we profit by them; we do not share her prosperity, and we are far too small to be her rival. The effect of a large body and a small body being brought into contact, is, that the larger will attract the smaller, and ultimately absorbs it.

I say more, sir. I say that the United States will probably ultimately absorb both this colony and the Dominion of Canada. Canada will in all probability find it quite as much to her advantage to join her ultimately, as we do now to join the Dominion.

This was taken up by Mr. Robson, Mr. Trutch and Mr. Carroll, some of whom stigmatized it as actual treason.

A gentleman in the audience asked if there was not another annexation manifesto since that, but Mr. Martin amid tremendous applause, showed that Sir John Abbott, president of the great Conservative party, had one out before that looking toward negotiations in that direction, and the great Sir John Macdonald was never known to be without an annexationist in his cabinet. (Cheers and laughter.)

Mr. Martin having thus told the electors present who were loyal and who were not, proceeded to deal with the Manitoba school question, which he treated in an exhaustive and masterly manner. He dealt extensively with the early history, the legislation of the subject and how, through the unfortunate weakness of character of Sir Mackenzie Bowell, the matter became a political question. His audience listened with close attention. Such an exposition of both sides of the question was a revelation to them after the few cursory remarks given to it by the Conservative coercionists a week ago. It was evident from the interest evinced that the farmers in that district had been misled as to the actual facts which Mr. Martin sent home by the announcement of the procession of Liberal victories in the east during the past week. Sir Hibbert Tupper had boasted that the Dominion government held all the provinces (laughter); but when Sir Hibbert Tupper gave a sure thing, people were certain of winning if they placed their money on the other side. (Great laughter.) Mr. Martin closed a brilliant speech by impressing on his hearers that this was no political question, it was one of provincial rights and should be voted upon in an intelligent and dispassionate manner, and his closing question whether the electors would send Col. Prior to fill a place that Controller Wallace found too mean, was greeted with loud cheers.

Mr. Martin paid a warm tribute to Dr. Helmcken's social qualities and to the veneration and affection which those qualities, coupled with his long services to the country, commanded. He had not the privilege of being a personal friend of the venerable doctor, but Mr. Martin felt sure that the honorable gentleman's own friends would be the first to deplore any attack on his part on the young men of this country.

There were three hearty cheers for Templeman, and an attempt to get one up for the coercionists proved abortive, and cries of 'No."

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the chairman and the meeting formed itself into little groups to chat over the questions that had been discussed.

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—Another candidate for the Mayor's chair, ex-Ald. John Ribertson, issued his card yesterday. This makes the fourth candidate in the field and as others are promised, the contest is sure to be a lively one.

—A January thaw is always more productive of colds and coughs than a January freeze. Then is the time Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is needed and proves so efficacious. Ask your druggist for it and also for Ayer's Almanac, which is free to all.

—Arrangements have been completed by the Companions of the Forest for their National ball to be held in the A. O. U. W. Hall this evening. Prizes will be given for the two best dressed ladies and the two best dressed gentlemen in national costume. The hall is tastefully decorated for the occasion.

—Rear-Admiral Stephenson and the officers of H. M. S. Royal Arthur were last evening tendered a farewell dance at Government House by His Honor the Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. Dewdney. There were 650 invitations and a large majority of those invited attended. The ball room was verp pretily decorated for the occasion. Music was provided by the Bantly orchestra.

—Seghers Council, No. 85, elected the following officers last evening: President, D. McBrady; 1st vice-president, W. H. Harris; 2nd vice-president, T. Roarke; recording secretary, C. J. Wilkes; corresponding secretary, William Mulcahy; financial secretary, M. Steele; treasurer, J. Leonard; inside sentinel, J. McNeill; outside sentinel, M. Lawless; marshall, J. J. Swain; executive committee, S. A. Bantly, V. Hall and J. Carpenter.

—Sir William Wallace Society elected officers last evening for the ensuing term as follow: Chief, J. R. Mackie; past chief, James Russell; chieftain, Wm. Anderson; secretary, Maxwell Muir; corresponding secretary, A. B. Fraser; treasure, Geo. Webb; trustees, Messrs. Jameson and Russell; auditors, Messrs. H. E. Brown and Bethune; chaplains, Revs. Dr. Campbell and A. B. Win. J. McCurrach, Munro, McDonald, W. Anderson and H. McDonald. The pipers were all re-elected. Arrangements were also completed for the Hogmanay gathering to be held in their hall this evening.

—The following donations were received at the Old Men's Home during the past six months: 2 sacks pears, 1 goose, 1 roast beef, Lt.-Gov. Dewdney; 1 overcoat, nuts, oranges, raisins, L. Dickinson; papers, Mrs. H. D. Helmcken, Mrs. G. Winters, Mrs. F. Saunders, W. T. Drake, Ald. R. T. Williams, and Salvation Army; 1 turkey, 1 goose, L. Goodacre; 1 turkey, D. Chungranes; 1 side lamb, 1 roast beef, J. Parker; 2 doz. beer, Victoria-Phoenix Brewing Co, 1 doz. lemonade, C. Morley; 1 box cigars, 1 bottle whiskey, H. D. Helmcken, M.P.P.; 2 boxes oranges, A. McGregor & Son; 1 table, T. Henderson.

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—Coal beds at Cheapside.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Several New Appointments Made in the Teaching Staff.

The board of school trustees met yesterday afternoon in the office of Secretary Williams. The rules governing the school attendance officer were discussed and adopted. The teachers of the North Ward school claimed that the sanitary inspector in disinfecting the school destroyed their flowers and plants. The matter was referred to the chairman of the board who will endeavor to secure compensation from the city. The board decided to grant South Park school to either political party for holding public meetings.

The following appointments were made on the teaching staff: Miss Strachan to the eighth division of North Park school in place of Miss Walker, resigned; Miss Walker, pupil-teacher, promoted to fourth division of Spring Ridge school; Miss Nesbitt, pupil-teacher, promoted to fifth division, Victoria West; Miss Lillian Grant was appointed pupil teacher in Victoria West school.

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BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Council Decide to Proceed With the Work of Building Dams at Elk Lake.

The Petition Asking for an Elective Fire Chief Received and Filed.

Mayor Teague presided at last night's meeting of the city council, and all the members with the exception of Alderman Hall were present. The city solicitor having decided that the council had no power to grant the wishes of the petitioners desiring an elective fire chief, the supplementary petition was received and filed without discussion.

Mr. Justice Crease wrote regarding the rubbish and stumps on Henry street, Victoria West, near the churches, and asked the city council to remove the same, as the cost would be very small. Referred to the street committee with power to act.

Ald. Macmillan also pointed out that repairs were much needed at the east end of Pembroke street; and Ald. Partridge referred to the wretched condition of the streets near some of the business houses.

McPhillips, Wooton & Barnard wrote on behalf of A. W. Ross, stating that if the city will persist in cutting through his property for surface drains from Beacon Hill, they will begin legal proceedings to restrain the council from so doing. Referred to the city solicitor and the street committee.

The following letter in reference to the James Bay roadway was read:—

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 27th, 1895.

To His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Victoria.

Gentlemen,—Before this year of office expires, I beg once more to ask you to do justice in the matter of the plans for the permanent roadway across James Bay.

The council of 1894 advertised for competitive plans and estimates for the permanent roadway across James Bay, and in good faith I submitted a design, under the motto "Vanquished Feudum." This design was selected out of 21, and ranked first in the order of merit. The committee, however, reported that the estimated cost would exceed the sum of $80,000, and that none of the designs were entitled to be awarded a prize.

I immediately protested against this, and my letter, dated 1st September, under my motto, was referred by the council on the 4th September to the select committee for further report. The report on this order, dated 26th September, simply recommends the payment of the premium. And I again ask that your worshipful board read this report, adopt it, and pay the premium accordingly.

To prove that I was perfectly right, and that the committee were mistaken in their statement that the work could not be done for the money, I obtained a detailed estimate from the late F. Adams, contractor for the Government buildings, which amounted to $78,195, including the foundations and completion of the construction of the bridge. This estimate I left for some weeks with your engineer, that he might examine the prices and satisfy himself as to the correctness of my statement.

I have now, in further proof of my statement, obtained another estimate from John Haggerty, on behalf of the B. C. Construction & Improvement Company, for executing the whole of the work, for $76,000. I may state that this company, being in possession of the stone quarry (Saturna Island), sand and gravel, they are in a position to execute the work on the most advantageous terms, and they are willing to put up bonds for the completion of the bridge in accordance with the plans.

Gentlemen, I compiled in the first instance with all the requirements of the case, according to your advertisement. Your select committee placed my design first in order of merit, and your council adopted it. They were misled as to the estimated cost, and your select committee recommended the premium to be paid. I ask as a simple act of justice, before you close your labors for the year, that you order this to be done.

I am, Gentlemen, your obedient servant,

THOS. C. SORBY.

(Tender enclosed.)

Accompanying the communication was an offer from the B. C. Construction Co., per J. Haggerty, to build the roadway for $76,000, a sum within the amount submitted to the competitors by the council.

Ald. Bragg stated that ever since the matter became public his sympathies were with Mr. Sorby, as he considered he (Mr. Sorby) was unjustly treated, but this council had no funds at their disposal for such purposes at present. He moved that Mr. Sorby be so informed.

Ald. Humphrey maintained that the council had it on the best authority that the work could not be done for the sum named, $80,000.

Ald. Partridge and Cameron thought that Mr. Sorby had done the work and was entitled to some consideration.

The Mayor and Ald. McMillan thought because the city had not money was no reason why the city should repudiate a debt.

Ald. Bragg's motion was carried.

Rev. G. H. Ellison again wrote to the council regarding the Craigflower road. The letter was received and filed.

J. G. Elliott, secretary of the Board of Underwriters, wrote as follows:

"It having been brought to the notice of this association that you are about to consider a petition, the object of which is to make the office of fire chief elective, I am instructed on behalf of the board to enter a protest against any such petition, and to state that the underwriters are fully satisfied with the present existing condition of the management of this department of the public service. Considering that the fire underwriters contribute about one-half the expense of the department, it will be readily conceded that they are fully entitled to ask your honorable body to consider this protest when the matter comes up before you."

The communication was laid on the table, to come up in connection with the petition.

John P. Pelletier called the attention of the board to the fact that the tree and fence still remained near St. John's church, and asking for information. Communication received and the clerk ordered to send the information desired.

W. Murray and W. H. Williscroft applied for the position of foreman on the proposed dams at Beaver Lake. Received and laid on the table.

J. L. Raymur wrote recommending Mr. Williscroft for the position of foreman, also in reference to the Steinberger claim. In this connection a letter was enclosed from H. E. A. Robertson, acting on behalf of Mr. Steinberger, and offering to accept the sum of $1750 for all claims.

Ald. Williams protested against buying land from Mr. Steinberger at an enormous cost. He thought the matter should be left to the incoming council.

Ald. McLellan and Wilson thought the matter should be settled at once, leaving the council with a clean sheet.

Ald. Humphrey moved that the water commissioner be instructed to expropriate the Steinberger land surrounding the lake, in accordance with the act, and report the same to the council before the matter is finally settled. Ald. McMillan seconded the motion. He thought the work of building the dams was a necessity, as there was a danger of the lake overflowing the roads and neighboring lands.

Ald. Williams moved in amendment that the work on the dams be proceeded with at once, but that no land be purchased at present. There being no seconder to the amendment, the motion was put and carried, Ald. Williams voting against it.

Ald. Wilson moved, and Ald. Cameron seconded, that the appointment of a foreman be left in the hands of the water commissioner. Carried.

Chief Deasy, of the fire department, reported as follows: "I have the honor to report the suspension of three members of the fire department for the following reason: Hose-man W. Duncan, absence from fires; Driver L. McNeill and Truckman W. Rendall, misconduct in fire hall. In the case of Hoseman Duncan, I would respectfully recommend his reinstatement at the expiration of fourteen days from the time of suspension, for the reasons that the cause of his suspension, missing three fires, should be considered in connection with his services while at fires, and I have no complaint to make against him while on duty. With reference to Driver L. McNeill and Mr. Rendall, I consider their cases a breach of discipline, which if overlooked, would tend to demoralize the department. The charges are in the hands of the chairman. Mr. McNeill was suspended on a previous occasion for misconduct. I would respectfully recommend the adoption of such measures as will supress any unbecoming conduct of this description by men engaged in the fire department."

Ald. Partridge moved, and Ald. Wilson seconded, that the communication be referred to the firewardens.

Ald. McMillan moved in amendment that the communication be laid on the table for one week to give the suspended firemen an opportunity to give their side of the story. The motion and amendment provoked a lengthy discussion, Ald. Macmillan maintaining that after the way in which the firewardens dealt with the Ledingham matter, it would be as well for the whole council to deal with this matter. Ald. Partridge and Wilson resented the imputations against the firewardens, and maintained that they were the proper parties to deal with the matter. The motion was carried.

The Old Men's Home committee reported that they considered that the city was not responsible for the amount claimed by the provincial government for certain inmates received in the Provincial home at Kamloops. Report was adopted and a copy ordered to be sent to the Provincial Secretary.

The market superintendent's report for December showed the receipts to be $73.40. Received and filed.

Dr. G. H. Duncan, medical health officer, explained that he was unaware that any arrangement had been made with the agents of the Sadie for trips to Darcey Island. Received and filed.

Tenders for printing were then opened from T. R. Cusack, H. O. Waterson, Province Publishing Co., F. N. Ham, and Thos. Roarke. Referred to printing committee and purchasing agent to award to the lowest tender.

The petition asking for an elective fire chief was then dealt with. In this connection City Solicitor Mason reported that the council had no power whatever to carry out the wishes of the petitioners.

Ald. Cameron moved, and Ald. Cameron seconded, that the petition be received and filed, and that the petitioners be informed that the council has not the power to grant the request. The motion was carried and the board of underwriters will be notified as to the finding of the council.

City Solicitor Mason also gave his opinion regarding Craigflower Road. He maintained that as the city never took over the street Mr. Ellison could not be prosecuted in the police court for removing the sidewalk. He also gave as his opinion that the city had no power to pass a curfew by-law, and reported regarding encroachment of fences on the street near St. John's church and on Kingston street. All these reports were received and filed.

The following were appointed directors of the Agricultural Society for the ensuing year:—Mrs. Scaife and Miss A. D. Cameron and Messrs. J. H. Higgins, Geo. Jay, sr., A. B. Erskine, W. Templeman, W. H. Ellis, J. H. Falconer, John Taylor, and W. J. Pendray.

After Ald. Wilson protested against business men being ordered to remove snow from opposite their places of business while the street crossings were left untouched, the council adjourned to meet on Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.

JUBILEE HOSPITAL BOARD.

Batch of Business Disposed of at the Monthly Meeting.

A meeting of the directors of Jubilee Hospital was held last evening, President Davies in the chair. Mr. George Brown moved, and it was seconded by Mr. J. Braverman, and carried: "That a gold medal be procured and presented to Miss Jessie Grady, who obtained the highest number of marks in her examination as trained nurse during the year 1895, and that Dr. J. S. Helmcken be asked to present the same."

Mr. Alex. Wilson moved, "That in consideration of the high place taken by Miss Greaves and Mrs. Rutledge the board present those ladies silver medals similar in design to the gold medal."

The committee appointed to confer with Mrs. Walkem regarding the establishment of an aged women's home reported: "That at the conference with Mrs. Walkem it was agreed that the free use of the 'maison de Sante' (French hospital) for six months be given to her and her associates for a home for aged and destitute women, and after that time as liberal an arrangement as possible be made for its future occupancy." Received and filed.

The salary account amounting to $594.35 was passed.

Messrs. McKillican & Anderson, according to the report from the laundry committee, are satisfactorily carrying out their contract for the laundry building.

Mr. Alex. Wilson moved, and it was seconded by Mr. J. Braverman, and carried, "That Messrs. Byrnes, Dwyer and Shotbolt be a committee to consult with and instruct Mr. Teague during the preparation of the plans for and erection of the proposed operating room, and that the committee do submit the plans with tenders to this board."

THE SPRAGGE CASE.

Letter from the Caretaker of the Isolation Hospital.

The following letter bearing on this case came to hand too late for insertion yesterday:

To Dr. George Duncan, Medical Officer of Health, Victoria, B. C.:

Sir: I beg to hand you the following report. On Wednesday, 18th instant, as per instructions, I took the hospital rig to Mr. Sprague's, 156 Menzies street, for Mrs. Sprague, four children and Mr. Herbert Middleton, taking a good supply of blankets to wrap them in. We had a pleasant drive as there was neither snow nor rain during the journey, they all agreeing that we had been very much favored in regard to weather. They were lodged in a ward of the large hospital, being supplied with a substantial supper and breakfast by the nurse in charge, Mrs. Healy, every endeavor being made to meet their wishes and make them as comfortable as possible. On Thursday morning I prepared disinfecting baths for them, having previously aired and warmed all their change of underclothing, after which I took Mrs. Sprague and the younger children into my own room, which I had specially warmed, giving them hot tea and cake, whilst the nephew and the eldest boy had their baths, after which they left to catch the street car, it being within a few minutes' walk of the hospital gates. I knew they were provided with car fares, as I disinfected money for the majority of them.

In addition, I disinfected five suits of clothes on the Wednesday night, ready for them to go out in, as well as a bundle of bed clothing they elected to bring with them for that purpose; also disinfected all their other clothes on Thursday. When leaving I asked them if they were satisfied. Mr. Middleton replied "they had no kick of any kind," and Mrs. Sprague thanked me for all our kindness to them whilst here.

JOSEPH SHAW, Caretaker.

Isolation Hospital, Dec. 30, 1895.

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Ayer's Sarsaparilla enjoys the extraordinary distinction of having been the only blood purifier allowed on exhibit at the World's Fair, Chicago. Manufacturers of other sarsaparillas sought by every means to obtain a showing of their goods, but they were all turned away under the application of the rule forbidding the entry of patent medicines and nostrums. The decision of the World's Fair authorities in favor of Ayer's Sarsaparilla was in effect as follows: Ayer's Sarsaparilla is not a patent medicine. It does not belong to the list of nostrums. It is here on its merits."

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LEGAL NOTICES.

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia

In the matter of the Companies Act 1892, and in the matter of the Victoria Jockey Club, Limited Liability.

Notice is hereby given that a petition for the winding up of the above company by the Supreme Court of British Columbia was on the 23rd day of December, A. D., 1895, presented to the Honorable the Supreme Court of British Columbia by Robert Beaven and James Stuart Yates as trustees of the estate of Green, Worlock & Company, who are creditors of the said company and that the said petition is directed to be heard before the Honorable Mr. Justice Drake on the 7th day of January, 1896, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and that in the event of an order being made for the winding up of the said company, that application will be made for the appointment of George Shedden, of the city of Victoria, accountant, as liquidator, and any creditor or contributor desirous to oppose the making of an order for the winding up of the said company under this act, should appear at the time of hearing by himself or by his counsel for that purpose, and a copy of the petition will be furnished to any creditor or contributor of the said company requiring the same by the undersigned on payment of the regulated charge for same.

Dated this 23rd day of December, A. D., 1895.

BODWELL & IRVING, No. 2 Broughton street, Victoria, B. C. Solicitors for Petitioners.

Land Registry Act.

Part (30 acres) of Section 14, Range VI., East, and of Section 14, Range 5, East, South Saanich District.

Whereas the Certificate of Title of Richard James Smith to the above hereditaments, bearing date the 26th June, 1891, has been lost and application has been made for a duplicate of such certificate.

Notice is hereby given that such duplicate will be issued unless cause be shown to the contrary, in writing within one month from the date hereof.

S. Y. WOOTTON, Deputy Registrar General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, November 27th, 1895.

MEETINGS.

POLITICAL MEETING!

The Opposition candidate, Mr. TEMPLEMAN, and others, will address the electors at CEDAR HILL SCHOOL HOUSE, on MONDAY EVENING, at 8 o'clock.

Col. Prior is invited to attend.

Notice.

Pursuant to the by-laws of the said company, notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Company, Limited, will be held at the office of the company, No. 74 Yates street, in the city of Victoria, B. C., on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of January, 1896, at 11 o'clock a. m. of that day, for the purpose of choosing directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of any other business that may be brought before said meeting. Immediately after their election, the board of directors will meet to elect officers for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may be brought before them.

WM. H. PHIPPS, Secretary.

December 23rd, 1895.

MUNICIPAL

$10 REWARD.

The above mentioned reward is hereby offered for such information as will lead to the conviction of any person or persons breaking the glass of the window of any unoccupied house or other, in the City of Victoria, or damaging in any way any portion thereof, or of the premises appertaining thereto, or removing therefrom any article belonging to the said premises, or defacing injuring or destroying any street sign of other property belonging to the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

By order,

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.

Victoria, B.C., March 20th, 1895.

$25.00 REWARD.

The above reward is hereby offered for such information as shall lead to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons tampering or interfering in any way with any manhole, ventilator, flush tank, or other part of the sewerage system of the City of Victoria, or causing any impediment or obstruction to the proper and effective operation of any portion of the said system, except when acting under instructions from the City Engineer or Sanitary Officer.

By order,

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.

Victoria, B.C., August 1st, 1895.

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JOSHUA DAVIES

AUCTIONEER,

Room 7, - Board of Trade Building.

The Daily Times.

MR. MARTIN'S VISIT.

Hon. Joseph Martin, M.P., will present Manitoba's case to the electors of Victoria, his first address being delivered in Semple's hall, Victoria West, this evening. The announcement is made that the Conservatives are bringing Mr. W. F. Luxton from Winnipeg to attack Mr. Martin. He is a bitter personal enemy of Mr. Martin, and will no doubt heap a large measure of abuse on the latter's head. The people of Victoria have principles to think of at present, and will pay but little attention to the display of private animosities.

WHOLLY UNRELIABLE.

The Colonist in its desperation is prepared to adopt any device, however despicable, that seems to promise a little comfort. This morning, in what must have been one of its worst fits of ugliness, it omitted Capt. John Irving and T. W. Paterson from the list on Mr. Templeman's nomination paper. The electors should learn from this to take with suspicion every statement the Colonist makes with reference to the present campaign. A sheet that is impudent enough to falsify an official document for partizan purposes will stick at nothing. The prospect of certain defeat for its candidate has taken away from the government organ what little regard for truth it possessed. Its statements and reports are now wholly unreliable.

IN THE FRYING PAN.

New Westminster Columbian: "Our more courageous than prudent friends, the Victoria Liberals, who, in the face of very great odds, have undertaken to contest Col. Prior's return as a minister, and have been valiantly been carrying on the fight since, have certainly reason to take renewed courage by the way things are going in the eastern bye-elections. It would not be at all surprising, the way things look now, if Victoria should join the procession, and tell Premier Bowell that it does not appreciate his eleventh-hour bait of a quasi-minister, especially when he is hardly in a position to give an assurance that he will for long be a minister himself. Let the people of Victoria once fairly grasp the idea that the government is gone, and they will be more inclined to give it a parting kick than to help to hold it up. If Jacques Cartier follows Cardwell and Montreal Centre, Col. Prior's New Year's goose, almost to a certainty, will be cooked for him, in Victoria, and his New Year's cake will be dough." Jacques Cartier has followed Montdeal Centre and Cardwell, and the Colonel's goose is in the frying pan, sure enough.

SMASHING UP.

A few weeks more will bring the break-up of the Bowell government. No ministry in the history of Canada has ever suffered a series of reverses like that which the late bye-elections have brought to the men now in power. If any three constituencies in the whole Dominion could have been counted on with absolute confidence to sustain a Conservative government, Cardwell, Montreal Centre and Jacques Cartier were surely the three. The results in the latter two were especially significant, inasmuch as the government hoped their coercionist policy would help them in Quebec and counteract the disgust with which their general policy and conduct have now come to be regarded there. Their calculations have been utterly upset, and their demoralization is complete. Montreal Centre, which elected a Conservative candidate in 1891 by a majority of over 1200, has now returned a Liberal by a majority of 370. Jasques Cartier, which elected Mr. Girouard by a majority of 275 in 1891, has now returned a Liberal candidate by 575. Both Montreal Centre and Jacques Cartier are manufacturing districts, with large industrial populations, who might have been expected to vote for the "national policy" almost unanimously. They are largely Catholic, therefore the government expected their support for the policy of coercion. What is to be said of the result? Evidently the people of those places have tired of the government's fiscal policy, and their sense of justice would not allow them to endorse a policy of force towards Manitoba. No reasonable man can doubt the significance of these elections; the days of the government are numbered, its complete wreck will come in a very short time. This is the moribund institution, with a tattered and torn policy, which Victorians are expected to bow down to and worship.

MORE LIGHT NEEDED.

The Colonist's Ottawa correspondent, speaking of the prospective "remedial legislation," says: "This measure will, from all accounts, be of an exceedingly moderate nature. Indeed, the result of the recent bye-elections would seem to justify the government in proceeding cautiously. It is evident from these elections that the Roman Catholics are not greatly enamoured of separate schools, but as the minority in Manitoba have asked for them and are entitled to them under the constitution, the government has no recourse but to carry out the constitution." Which is to say that the government has got new light from the bye-elections, and is ready to abandon part of what it professed to believe was its duty. But it has not yet received enough new light to make it keep its hands off Manitoba as it should. Victoria will supply the deficiency on Monday next.

THE PRIVY COUNCIL.

The Colonist makes a strenuous attempt to controvert Mr. Bodwell's argument on the Manitoba school case, with the small success that might have been expected. Our neighbor might as well abandon the idea that it can becloud the issue by appealing to the second decision of the Privy Council, for that decision does not, and cannot be made to, conflict with the broad principle of provincial rights. The quotations from the judgment which the Colonist gives all go to show that the Privy Council did not order the Dominion government to follow the course it has taken, or any other particular course. The gist of the judgment is in the following passage:—

"Their Lordships have decided that the Governor-General-in-Council has jurisdiction, and that the appeal is well founded, but the particular course to be pursued must be determined by the authorities to whom it has been committed by the statute. It is not for this tribunal to intimate the precise steps to be taken."

From this no other meeting can be taken than that the circumstances gave the minority the right to appeal to the Dominion government, and that the appeal must be heard. The government was to be guided thereafter by its own ideas of public policy. It is true the Privy Council did further on throw out this suggestion:

"It is certainly not essential that the statutes repealed by the act of 1890 should be re-enacted, or that the precise provisions of these statutes should be again made law. The system of education embodied in the acts of 1890 no doubt commends itself to, and adequately supplies the wants of the great majority of the inhabitants of the province. All legitimate grounds of complaint would be removed if that system were supplemented by provisions which would remove the grievance upon which the appeal is founded; and were modified so far as might be necessary to give effect to these provisions."

It is the hight of absurdity to say that this conveys an order to the Dominion government. It is plainly intended to show the limit beyond which the provincial government need not go in the way of modifying its legislation of 1890. That limit is certainly not the one fixed for itself by the Bowell government when it proposes to re-establish the separate school system as it was. It so happens that in the first judgment of the privy council, declaring the acts of 1890 constitutional, their Lordships went a little beyond the mere question of law and touched upon the question of the policy. The clause in the judgment reads as follows:—

"With the policy of the act of 1890 their Lordships are not concerned. But they cannot help observing that if the views of the minority were to prevail, it would be extremely difficult for the provincial legislature, which has been entrusted with the exclusive power of making laws relating to education, to provide for the educational wants of the more sparsely inhabited districts of a country almost as large as Great Britain, and that the powers of the legislature, which on the face of the act appear so large, would be limited to the useful but humble office of making regulations for the sanitary condition of school houses, imposing rates for the support of denominational schools, enforcing the compulsory attendance of scholars, and matters of that sort."

Now the precise purpose of the Dominion government is to pass such legislation at Ottawa as to restrict the Manitoba legislature to "the useful but humble office of making regulations for the sanitary condition of school houses, imposing rates for the support of denominational schools, enforcing the compulsory attendance of scholars, and matters of that sort." Would it be right and just to tie the hands of the province in that way? Col. Prior says it would, in plain defiance of the Privy Council's opinion, and he expects the electors of Victoria to agree with him.

It is childish to talk about the advisability of establishing a precedent for representation in the government. The Liberals will very shortly be in power, and they have acknowledged the justice of British Columbia's claim to cabinet representation. And when they speak of a cabinet representative, they mean the head of a department, a bona fide minister, not a controller.

Hon. Mr. Prior had to apologise for the absence of Hon. Dr. Helmcken from his meeting last night. Where would the party be without the venerable gentleman to support them?

The cabinet minister "fake" should now be dropped; the Bowell government itself is on the verge of disappearance.

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MR. SPRAGGE'S REPLY.

To the Editor: At a meeting of the board of health held last Saturday, Dr. Duncan was instructed to contradict statements made in a letter written by me, and published in your issue of the 23rd instant. Accordingly a letter written over his own signature appears in your issue of to-day, in which Dr. Duncan has not contradicted one of the charges made.

My first charge was that my family were compelled to go to the isolation as he (the doctor) said that was the only way in which the residence could be fumigated. The doctor further states that Mrs. Spragge and myself appeared perfectly satisfied, that my family should go to the hospital, that the residence should be fumigated in their absence, and that my daughter should remain at the hospital until the expiration of six weeks from the beginning of her illness. I might say here that although the six weeks expired on the 26th instant, my daughter is still at the hospital, and since Christmas day I have not been allowed even to speak to her through the telephone.) Now, sir, we did agree to the arrangement, as it was either that or remain from home during Christmas, and in my letter I took exception not to the arrangements but to the way in which they were carried out. The doctor promised that my family should be comfortably removed to the hospital and returned. Instead of this, as I stated in my letter, they were taken through the rain and snow in an uncovered express wagon, and on the following day were turned out on the street to find their way home as best they could. I was not at home when Mr. Shaw came for the family, or I should never have allowed them to go in such a conveyance on such a day. I am very much surprised that any medical man should send such a carriage for convalescent patients.

With regard to Mr. Conlin's letter I would state that my family were given no choice of a conveyance; that instead of Mr. Conlin calling on me, I called upon him and arranged to meet him at my residence at 4:30 p.m., at which time I arrived and found him already in the house, he having entered through the front window, the doors being locked.

D. SPRAGGE.

Victoria, Dec. 30.

BURIAL OF GEORGE PLATT.

To the Editor:—In your Semi-Weekly issue of the 20th December, I notice an article copied from the Nelson "Tribune" under the heading "Treatment of a Corpse," which contains so many mis-statements that in justice to Mr. Marsden, who had nothing to do with the case whatever, and myself, who had everything to do with it, I would be pleased to have you insert the following true statement of the case as was published by the Tribune in its issue following the first statement.

J. W. ROGERS.

The Burial of George Platt.

Last week the Tribune gave particulars of the death and burial of George Platt as detailed by the boys who brought the body to Nelson for burial. If the particulars were inaccurate, the Tribune is not blameable. The following gives the other side:

To the Editor of the Tribune: In your issue of the 14th instant I notice a paragraph in reference to the drowning and burial of George Platt, in which there are so many erroneous statements that I cannot allow them to pass unnoticed or without contradiction, and with your permission I ask for space in your columns to place before your readers the truth of the case. It was about 10:30 p. m. on the Monday mentioned that word came to Mr. Marsden that the deceased had met his death by drowning, the particulars of which I need not reiterate. I was at that gentleman's house when the word came. He, being indisposed, requested me to consult with Mr. Lendrum, who was in the village that evening and who was more experienced in such cases than either of us. I did so and explained the matter to him. He advised me to tell Mr. Good, who brought the body here, to take it to the lock-up for the night and notify Captain Fitzstubbs on the following morning, which I did. I received no reply on Tuesday night, but on Wednesday I received a communication from the coroner, saying "he had missed the boat the day previous, and would be up on Wednesday night." He arrived on that evening and empanneled a jury, who after examining the body and hearing the evidence returned a verdict as you stated. I was present at the holding of the inquest as a spectator only. After the verdict was reached, the coroner, after being informed that I was a justice of the peace, handed me the burial warrant with instructions to search the body. I then asked him what amount the government allowed toward defraying the expense of burial. He said he thought it was $14. The following morning I engaged a man to dig the grave and to make as good a coffin as he could, telling him at the same time what amount I could pay him for so doing. The grave was dug near the grave of another man, the only one in the place. At noon the following day, after the grave was made, objections were raised by a representative of the smelter company, on account of a supposed spring being in that vicinity; consequently, another place was found which was considered more suitable. The corpse, during all this time, remained in the lock-up. On Saturday morning a short time prior to the departure of the steamboats, a few of the men who were working at the smelter came and asked an explanation regarding the dilatoriness of the burial, etc. I gave them as satisfactory an explanation as I could, in which they blamed neither Mr. Marsden nor myself, and after a consultation among themselves they asked permission to take charge of the corpse, which was granted, provided they paid the grave digger for his trouble, which they were willing to do. They took the body to Nelson, and I presume gave it a decent burial as you state. These are the facts of the case, nothwithstanding the misleading statements which appeared in your paper. With all due respect to Mr. Marsden, as having everything to do with the case, as you state, I think the foregoing will be contradictory enough, as he had nothing whatever to do in matters only as stated as above. He neither notified Captain Fitzstubbs nor received any communication from the coroner.

J. W. ROGERS.

Pilot Bay, December 18th.

GOING IT BLIND.

Col. Prior at Esquimalt (Colonist report): "Whatever Measure the Bowell government think it proper to bring down, I am going to support."

This was in answer to the question: "If you go to Ottawa as Member of Parliament for Victoria will you support the Bowell government in enforcing the remedial order against the wishes of Manitoba?"

—When most needed it is not unusual for your family physician to be away from home. Such was the experience of Mr. J. Y. Schenck, editor of the Caddo, Ind. Terr., Banner, when his little girl, two years of age, was threatened with a severe attack of croup. He says: "My wife insisted that I go for the doctor, but as our family physician was out of town, I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's cough remedy, which relieved her immediately. I will not be without it in the future. 75 cent bottles for sale by all druggists. Langley & Co., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver. *

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Dominion Election!

MR. WM. TEMPLEMAN

WILL ADDRESS

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Spring Ridge, Wednesday, January 1.

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LOCAL NEWS.

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—The wind interfered with the wires last night.

—Special agents for papers, magazines and periodicals. J. Johnston, Douglas street. *

—An Indian drunk was the sole occupant of the dock in the police court this morning.

—Summonses will be issued as usual until noon on Saturday for the sitting of the small debts court on the 8th.

—Conference of Christians, New Year's day, 10 a.m., 2:30 and 7 p.m., Gospel Hall, Yates street. Prayer, Praise and Ministry of the Word. All Christians invited. *

—The preliminary hearing of Dr. J. K. Garrow and Henry Creech was continued at 3:30 this afternoon. A number of witnesses are to be re-called by the defense.

—Charles Purdy, a Tacoma storekeeper, was taken to the lockup last evening for safe keeping, he being of unsound mind. Arrangements are being made to send him home this evening.

—If the gentleman who wrote from Duncan's to the Times under date of December 21 will send his name to the Times office some information he asked for in his letter will be forwarded to him.

—Jones Bros., merchants of Grand Prairie, have sent to Messrs. Watson & Hall, of this city, a large, live golden eagle. They offer to give it to the city for the park, or to the provincial museum. The eagle is an exceptionally fine specimen and its species is very rare in this province.

—A watchnight service will be held in the Metropolitan Methodist church, commencing at 11 o'clock to-night and closing at 12.05 a.m. To-morrow, New Year's evening, a concert of Christmas and other appropriate music will be given in the church at 8 o'clock. There will be no charge for admission, but it is expected that every person attending, of whatever age, will contribute something to the church funds when the collection plates are passed around. Half the proceeds of these concerts is handed over to the choirmaster and organist.

Templeman's Central Committee Rooms, 42 Broad Street.

—There will be the Grand Annual New Year's day concert at the Metropolitan Methodist church, for to-morrow evening for which the choir have prepared a more than usually excellent programme. Among the contributors in addition to the choir, will be Mr. and McGraw, Miss Wolff, Messrs. Fisher, Brownlee and others. The Victoria Handbell Ringers, around whom has been a certain circle of mystery for some time past, will make their first appearance in public. There will be no charge for admission.

—The Independent Order of Good Templars hold their annual New Year's reception in Temperance Hall, Pandora street, on New Year's day from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Everybody is welcome who calls between these hours. Friends wishing to contribute refreshments will please send them to the hall at any time during the day. In the evening a concert wil be given in the same hall, consisting of songs, club-swinging, short addresses, etc. Some of the best local talent wil take part, among those being J. G. Brown, H. Firth, Geo. Watson, R. Wilson and others. Admission free.

—Ye Olde Fashion New Year's reception will be given at the Young Men's Christian Association rooms to-morrow afternoon. From 2 to 6 p.m. there will be open house and good cheer for all callers, and the Woman's Auxiliary will serve light refreshments. Richardson's orchestra will discourse sweet music while some friends of the association will be invited to say a few words of cheer to the assembled crowd. The Rev. Ralph Trotter will give a New Year's address at 3 p.m. The services of athletes of the association will be utilized for the benefit of the visitors, by way of a short gymnastic exhibition. In the evening, commencing at 8 o'clock, there will be a literary and musical programme, for which a small charge will be made. The afternoon reception is free, and an open invitation is extended to all who can, to call and partake of the hospitality of the Victoria Young Men's Christian Association on New Year's day of 1896. *

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AT VICTORIA WEST.

Hon. Joseph Martin, M. P., of Winnipeg, to Address the Meeting.

Hon. Joseph Martin, M. P., of Winnipeg, will this evening address the electors of Victoria West on the issues of the campaign at a public meeting to be held in Semple's hall in the interests of the Opposition candidate.

William Templeman, E. V. Bodwell, Hewitt Bostock and others will also speak, and there is sure to be a large attendance.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Over a Hundred Fires But the Losses Are Very Small.

Chief Deasy's report for the year 1895, makes a very good showing for the fire department. Here is a report of the number of fires, amount of losses and the insurance:

January, 8 fires, losses $4000, insurance $9200; February, 6 fires, losses $4704, insurance $25,000; March, 7 losses $2827, insurance $26,700; April, 7, losses $4620, insurance $4600; May, 8, losses $286, insurance $11,250; June, 11, losses $2765, insurance $10,600; July, 17, losses $2850, insurance $1500; August, 15, losses $931.50, insurance $15,000; September, 8, losses $950, insurance $7000; October, 5, losses $40, insurance $10,000; November, 4, losses $100, insurance $800; December, 8, losses, $150, insurance $11,000. July was the only month in which the losses exceeded the insurance. The total loss was $24,233.50, the number of fires being 104. This is the largest number of fires that have ever occurred during one year in Victoria. Last year the loss was $57,560 for 57 fires. Thus this year there have been twice as many fires with less than half the loss. The largest year's losses under the paid department was $123,350 in 1886.

LIBERAL PUBLIC MEETINGS.

The Programme Arranged for the Remainder of the Week.

As will be seen by advertisement in in another column the programme of public meetings in the interest of the Liberal candidate, Mr. William Templeman, has been arranged. To take advantage of the very brief period of time which will elapse before election day, it was thought advisable to arrange in some instances, for two meetings the same evening. As the number of speakers available is quite large this arrangement will, it is thought, be a good one. Mr. Templeman will endeavor to speak at all meetings. The list of speakers available is a large one and includes Hon. Joseph Martin, of Winnipeg, who on this occasion represents the Prairie Province in her fight for the maintenance of provincial rights, William Templeman, the Liberal candidate; Dr. G. L. Milne, Hon. A. N. Richards, Q. C., Senator McInnes, E. V. Bodwell, Ald. Macmillan, Archer Martin and William Marchant. The dates and places of the meetings are as follows: Wednesday, Jan., 1, Odd Fellows' Hall, Spring Ridge, and Colquitz Hall; Thursday January 2nd, Masonic Hall, Esquimalt, and Tolmie avenue school house; Friday January 3, Institute Hall, View street; Saturday afternoon, A. O. U. W. hall, Yates street; Saturday evening, South Park school, James Bay. With the exception of the afternoon meeting on Saturday the chair will be taken at 8 p.m.

A joint general meeting of all ward committees was held last evening at the central committee rooms, 42 Broad street, and the large attendance, glowing reports and unbounded enthusiasm all proclaim victory for the opposition candidate, William Templeman, on the 6th of January next.

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This was in answer to the question: "If you go to Ottawa as Member of Parliament for Victoria, will you support the Bowell government in enforcing the remedial order against the wishes of Manitoba?"

Hon. Joseph Martin, M. P. for Winnipeg arrived from the east last night and is the guest of Mr. Hewitt Bostock, who accompanied him from the interior. Mr. Martin will speak at the meeting to be held during the week in the interests of the Opposition candidate, Mr. Templeman. He is considered one of the ablest men in the West and nobody knows better than he, the history of the Manitoba school question, and that province's fight for provincial rights. Mr. Martin will speak for the first time in Victoria at the Victoria West meeting in Semple's Hall this evening.

—A watchnight service will be held in the Salvation Army barracks tonight, and on New Year's night a pound meeting will be held. The admission to the meeting will be a pound of groceries or vegetables. The proceeds will go towards keeping the officers, who get but very little salary these hard times. The result of the collecting during the week of self-denial amounted to four hundred and fifteen dollars.

—St. Saviour's church, Victoria West, will have New Year's eve service at 11:30 p.m. Holy Communion will be celebrated.

—Last evening at No. 82 Michigan street Mr. A. E. Lafferty and Miss L. Brunell were united in marriage by Rev. T. J. McCrossan.

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Manchester House, 88 Yates St. **T. Haughton & Co.**

COMMUNICATIONS

THE SCHOOL QUESTION.

To the Editor—Our estimable old timer, the Hon. Dr. J. S. Helmcken and others trailed the inevitable herring across the scent at Esquimalt and tried to lead off the issue from the broad principles we are contending for to the altogether side issue of Manitoba.

Our Canadian nation is made up of men of varied nationalities; besides those from Great Britain we have Italians and many others. Our creeds are equally varied; we have Roman Catholics, Anglicans, Methodists, Presbyterians, the Greek church, Jews, etc. The state is made up of all these varied nationalities and different creeds. But all these nationalities and all these creeds pay alike their rates and taxes into the common coffer, the coffer of the state.

Now, we all agree, Tories and Grits alike, upon one common principle, the necessity for the education of the rising generation; and, as it is compulsory, then it should be paid for out of the coffers of the state. We all agree one step further, that that education should consist primarily of reading writing and arithmetic, that all may read and write the language of the country and understand its weights and measures.

Now we all agree to differ upon matters of religious dogma, and this being so it seems to be a matter of wisdom and prudence that whilst we all agree to pay for the primary and essential education of the rising generation, we shall all forbear forcing upon others religious dogmas that, however comforting they may be to ourselves, are discordant to the feelings of our neighbors. It is therefore admitted, as a matter of public policy, that all state-aided schools shall be absolutely non-sectarian and non-racial. If we admit that the French or the German, or the Roman Catholic or the Methodist, or any other race of creed, have the right to claim separate state aid, we at once lay the axe to the very roots of the national idea. A house divided against itself can never stand, and in thus disintegrating the nation, bringing up race separate from race, creed separate from creed, we shall sap the very life blood from out the young nation before it grows strong enough to hold its own.

It is in this principle that Manitoba is contending, and it is for the destruction of this vital principle that Colonel Prior invites the support and interest of Victorians. Colonel Prior is a fine, manly, open speaker, and it is hard to understand that with all this he can, within his heart of hearts believe he is thus doing his duty to govern his fellow men.

Col. Prior holds up the Hon. "Jimmy" McShane to public execration and in so many words he says: "Behold the depth of ignominy to which the party can sink; regard the class of men it elects as its chosen representatives!" Gently, most Honorable Colonel, can you not read as you run? Can you deceive any one besides yourself? Sir William Hingston is well and favorably known to every elector in Montreal, and nine-tenths of those who voted against him, would, under altered circumstances, have returned him with acclaim, but this very school question in front of them and the life of the nation at issue, you may depend upon it that almost any candidate pledged to champion the cause of right would have been elected triumphantly against any creature of the government, however personally popular, that could have been put forward.

THOS. C. SORBY.

SAXON DRINKING BOUTS.

The Saxons are mighty eaters and drinkers. The mead-horn plays a great part in their very earliest literature and already in the sixth century the temperance movement definitely began. Members of the Church of England Temperance Society will be glad to know that it began with that church, but that, unfortunately, was because the church required it. St. Gildas the Wise, (A. D. 570,) observing with pain that not only the laity but also the clergy were scandalously given to the habits of intoxication, issued some rules to his own monks, and ordained that "if any one, through drinking too freely, gets thick of speech so that he cannot join in psalmody, he is to be deprived of his supper." This does not err on the side of severity, and the test is charmingly naive, but at any rate the blame was laid on the culprit.

St. David, (A. D. 560,) took a more modern view, and published the publican in advance, so to speak. His monks were also accustomed to go about and get drunk in a friendly way, so he ordained among other rules, that "he that forces another to get drunk out of hospitality, must do penance as if he had got drunk himself." However, things seem to have gone on very much the same until we come to King Edgar, who, at the instance of Dunstan, made his first attempt at sobriety by act of parliament—if the anachronism may be allowed—as near as may be 1,000 years ago. He suppressed a great number of ale houses, and, in order to lessen the depth of his subjects' potations, invented "drinking to pegs," which would be equivalent to regulating the size of the tumbler. People used to then drink out of wooden pots holding half a gallon, and the King had eight pegs or pins inserted, dividing the pot into so many doses of half a pint, like a medicine bottle. But, alas for human attempts to circumvent the demon of drink! Drinking to pegs suddenly became a merry pastime, and a means of encouraging intoxication like "boozing" in the last century; and at no distant date Anselm had to forbid his clergy expressly to "go to no drinking bouts and drink to pegs."—National Review.

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GOSSIP FROM SCOTLAND.

The Carlyle Centenary—Ship Builders' Trouble—Paine and Darwin.

Glasgow, Dec. 11.—"The population of these islands is 30 millions or so, mostly fools."—T. Carlyle. They have been celebrating the centenary of his birth, and in so doing no doubt warranting the epithet applied to them by the colossal martyr to indigestion. None, I fancy, would have been more ready to laugh at the celebration than Carlyle himself; for he hated such things with an honesty quite remarkable in an age of mawkish feelings and cheap sentiment. Still it is indisputable that Carlyle has stirred British thought more deeply than any man in these later times, and that there are hundreds of thousands in "these islands" who are living according to his counsel; wonderfully stimulated by his strong, plain words and the wholesomeness of his ideas. Few of these took any part in the speechmaking and sentimentalism at Cheyne Row the other day; the spouting of a few enthusiasts is little comfort to the genuine disciple. The English and Scotch press lately exudes Carlyle anecdotes just now; some of them bearing the stamp of likelihood and many too palpably the weird ugments of the professional anecdote fakir.

Strange to say another celebration in honor of a man as great as Carlyle in many ways, and greater in some, has been going on in London concurrently with the Chelsea sage's; namely, that of Thomas Paine. An immense amount of curious comment has been going round the press regarding this best-abused man of modern times, and in justice to Paine it should be said that a vast amount of "concealed prejudice" exists against him. It is one thing to hear the outrageous slanders against Paine from people who have not even read a line of his works, or read the history of his life; indeed, who would actually sanddee to think of doing anything so awful; and quite another to read the calm, dispassionate account of his life as written by Moncure D. Conway, and then to examine his political works, his poetical contributions, and if one so pleases, his arguments regarding theology. Then and only then is one qualified to talk about Paine, and anybody who can, after such examination of his life and work, talk about him as the prejudiced and ignorant generally do, is certainly impervious to reason or logic. I used to look upon Paine with horror. I have read most of his works since then and have now a far different estimate of the man.

They cannot do anything in this country without a lord. If there is any great function to be performed, a meeting to be presided over, an arbitration to be held, or a bazaar to be opened, they must have one of these superior people who occupy the foreground of our national picture by virtue of their transcendant merit, capacity for hard work, rock truthfulness and honesty—one of the lords. So the dispute between the masters and the men in the Clyde shipbuilding trade could not be properly settled, of course, until they had hunted around and got one of those special human beings, who look like the rest of us evolved apes, but really are not, to sit as arbitrator and head bottle-washer. His name is Lord James. Whether a plain mister could have accomplished the herculean task of hearing evidence and trying to look as wisdom he did not feel is debatable. Anyhow Lord James of Hereford and the common untitled truck who "helped" him, finally declared that the Clyde men should be offered one shilling a week advance, to come into force now, and another advance of one shilling a week in February. By the time this reaches you no doubt the decision of the men will have been called. The prospects of a settlement are decidedly better, and it is generally believed that a start will be made after the New Year.

Keir Hardie, ex-M.P., for West Ham, has just returned from a trip through the United States, and has been regaling Glasgow audiences of I. P. L. people with wonderful accounts of the people over there; almost as wonderful as Brother Stead's lively stretches of the imagination, although not done up in quite such della cruscan English as the emotional editor of Borderland usually clothes his so-called thoughts in. Hardie says white workmen in America are worse slaves than the negroes were under the chattel system, and not nearly so well off as the British workmen. Hardie is the man whom a Fleet street ink-artist once described as "quite the poorest creature that ever by a most unhappy combination of fortuitous circumstances crawled into parliament." Not bad that for the muzzled British press.

It was a sad, sad blow that to many admirers of the Right Honorable Arthur James Balfour, to hear that he had boldly, openly and unreservedly accepted the accursed doctrine of evolution, invented by Charles Darwin of "infamous memory," and banned by all the "ministers" in Scotland as damnable heresy. Mr. Balfour did this horribly reprehensible thing at a meeting to consider the raising of a monument to the memory of the late Professor Huxley, another man very bitter to the thoughts of the godly for his awful advancement of science. In fact it startled us all to hear our politico-philosopho-metaphysicio-golfer coming away in such style. "No educated reasonable man could doubt that doctrine now," he said. But what of the hundreds of educated, reasonable men who fill the pulpit in Scotland? Painful, very painful. By the way, Glasgow Town Council have offered and Mr. Balfour has gladly accepted the freedom of the city.

Lord Dunraven left to-day for New York to face the angry Gothamites about the somewhat queer statements in his celebrated pamphlet. The following clipping from a British paper will give Times readers a pretty clear notion of the feeling here: It is the work of a London journalis, a Tory. Verb. sap:

To day Lord Dunraven sails for America to take part in the inquiry concerning the Defender-Valkyrie races which have produced so much commotion on two continents. The good American nose to believe, or pretend to believe, that his Lordship would not dare to show his face in these states, but then the good American can scarce be expected to understand a British nobleman. Lord Dunraven may be right or may be wrong, that remains to be proved, but none who knows him doubts for an instant his absolute convlction of the truth of every word he has said and written. "I am resolved to look at what is above" runs the motto of his house, and assuredly he looks beyond an expression of opinion America can produce. It is satisfactory to learn that Capt. Mahan, the famous author of "The Inudence of Sea Power," is to sit on the committee: he, at least, is above suspicion.

The newspapers are all jubilant over the decision of the government to still further increase Britain's already enormous seapower. Descriptions of the latest addition to the fleet, the Magnificent, appear in the papers, and there is any amount of rejoicing over the fact that Britain has now beyond question the most powerful and efficient fighting ships in the world. And so the sacred cause of peace flows beautifully on like a river, and "we pray to the Almighty for victory," as Professor Huxley says, "but all the time our trust is in our big battalions and our superb Magnificents." It is only a question of who will hit first, and then the killing and slaughtering will go on just as horribly as it did in more brutal stages of man's career. G.

—Dr. Shields, an eminent physician of Tennessee, says: "I regard Ayer's Sarsaparilla as the best blood medicine on earth, and I know of many wonderful cures effected by its use." Physicians all over the land have made similar statements.

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TIME TABLE NO. 25.

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GOING NORTH.

	Daily A. M.	Sat'dy P. M.
Lv. Victoria for Nanaimo and Wellington	8.00	3.20
Ar. Nanaimo	11.40	6.38
Ar. Wellington	12.00	6.55

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	Daily A. M.	Sat'dy P. M.
Lv. Wellington for Victoria	8.20	3.30
Lv. Nanaimo for Victoria	8.40	3.45
Ar. Victoria	12.20	7.00

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Trusting to you, ladies and gentlemen, for your vote and influence,

I am, yours most respectfully.

A. J. McLELLAN.

To the Electors of Victoria:

The Mayoralty.

To the Electors of Victoria:

As many friends have been kind enough to express a wish that I become a candidate for the office of Mayor of the city, I have decided to place myself in your hands, respectfully asking your influence and support.

I shall take an opportunity to express my views upon civic affairs at public meetings.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

December 26, 1895. 4t

The Mayoralty

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

Having been solicited by many Ratepayers to again offer myself for re-election at the next annual election for Mayor, I have much pleasure in acceding to their request, and beg to announce myself as a candidate for the ensuing year.

I am, Your Obedient Servant,

JOHN TEAGUE.

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The Mayoralty.

Having been requested by a large number of Electors of the City of Victoria to offer myself as a candidate for the Mayoralty, I beg to submit myself to your suffrages.

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The winter weather has caused a general cessation of mining operations in the Fish Creek district, but the work of the past summer amply demonstrates the great mineral possibilities of the camp, and with such showings as are made by the Glengarry, Sable Creek, and Pool Creek properties, there is no doubt as to the future.

Trails are badly wanted in Fish Creek district. In fact little can be done until trunk trails are constructed. This want could be supplied at a comparatively small outlay on the part of the government, and it is to be hoped that an adequate appropriation will be made for this purpose.

A report was received late this afternoon, via Arrowhead, that the steamer Arrow had been seen on the north shore of the Northeast Arm lying partially submerged with bottom up. The Arrow is a small screw steamer plying on Upper Arrow Lake. She left Arrowhead Thursday afternoon with a cargo which she discharged safely at Thomson's Landing. No particulars have been received but it is supposed that she was endeavoring to put into the lake again in the face of the fierce gale which was blowing at the time, and was capsized. Her crew consisted of two men—Capt. Vanderburg and an engineer, who are supposed to be drowned, as nothing has been heard of them.

NANAIMO.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Nanaimo, Dec. 31.—At the council meeting last evening three by-laws were affirmed, viz.: the election by-law, fire limit amendment by-law and Sunday observance by-law. The public morals by-law will be affirmed on Thursday night and the business of the year will also be wound up, after which only another meeting will be held before the election.

The mass meeting of miners called for Saturday is for the purpose of deciding whether or not the work shall be divided up as at present, or whether the number of hands will be diminished. For some time past the New V. C. Co. have been reducing their output, and at present the future does not appear to have a bright side to it.

There is a strong feeling in the city in favor of subsidizing the Dunsmuirs to ship their coal, from the new mines, at Nanaimo, and steps are being taken to arrange for a public meeting to be held for that purpose.

The municipal election of 1896 will be the keenest contest that has ever taken place in the city. Both sides are working quietly but strenuously with a determination to win if possible.

AN ALIEN POPE IMPOSSIBLE.

An Italian Must Be Chosen to Fill the High Office.

The election of an English, German, French, Spanish or American cardinal would present no advantages to the Catholic church, and would not and could not be tolerated by the Italian government, which, de facto, but not de jure, is able to exercise the right of veto formerly enjoyed by certain foreign Catholic powers. The elevation of an alien cardinal to the tiara would necessarily entail the removal of the headquarters of the Catholic church to some other country than Italy, and would involve the abandonment by the papacy of the Vatican with all its priceless treasures, its sacred and historical associations and the prestige of which it is the centre. For neither the Italian people nor their government could permit the establishment in their capital of what would practically be a foreign sovereign and court, belonging to a nation which may at any moment find itself in conflict with the Italian government. There would always be the suspicion, even if there were not the actual danger, that, with a foreign pope at the vatican, the latter would become the centre of foreign intrigue directed against the Italian nation, and the mere appearance of hostility, which, for financial and political reasons, the Quirinal and the papacy are compelled to assume toward one another, could not fail to accentuate this condition of affairs to a point where it would become intolerable.

No one possessed of any knowledge of the Vatican or of Italian politics, therefore, dreams for one moment of the possibility of the election of anyone but an Italian to the chair of St. Peter, and the repeated assertions which have been made in the press of this country with regard to the probability of the choice falling upon Cardinal Gibbons, need not be taken into serious consideration, since they are obviously destined to flatter national pride.—N. Y. Tribune.

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Another witness from Windsor is Mr. C. J. Curtis, one of the wealthy yeomen of that district. He suffered from a general break up of the system, an outcome of la grippe. Almost everything was tried, but with no effect. As a last resort South American Nervine was recommended, and of its results he says: "After taking one bottle I found very great benefit from it, my appetite improved wonderfully, and I felt my strength returning very fast. I purchased five bottles, but after taking only three out of the five I am feeling as nearly well to-day as I ever did, and I can attribute my restoration to health and strength solely to South American Nervine."

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THE OLDEST LANGUAGE.

The Dialect of the Quiches Indians of Guatemala Said to be the Oldest.

The Mexican government's invitation to the international congress of Americans to hold their session this month in the City of Mexico is particularly well timed, says the Philadelphia Record, in view of the ethnological aspect of the proposed meeting. Dr. Le Plongeon, the archaeologist, has made a decidedly sensational claim for the Quiches dialect, the tongue spoken by the wild Quiches Indians of Guatemala, to the effect that it is an older language than the Sanskrit, and probably the oldest living speech. The Quiches are descendants of the Mayas, whose hieroglyphic inscriptions on the walls of the Yucatan temples Dr. Le Plongeon now believes he may yet be able to decipher by means of the phonetic values of the Quiches tongue. He thinks, too, that he has discovered the hieratic alphabet of the Mayas to be almost identical with that of the ancient Egyptians. The doctor's claims give rise to many interesting conjectures.

The oldest language in the world is, of course, still a mystery. The long-accepted view of the Hebrew as the parent speech is still held by those orthodox church-goers who cling to the tower of Babel episode; but since Coleridge's day the development of Sanscrit study, begun with Sir William Jones' observations on the language of the Sakuntala, has given Sanskrit as Max Muller claims for a certain Hindoo work the honor of being the oldest book in the world—older even than Egypt's famous "Book of the Dead." While Sanskrit proved itself to be the oldest Indo-European speech, the relative position of the Aryan and Semitic groups has not yet been defined, and the parentage of the Egyptian, if not from the ancient Hittites of the Phoenician coast, is still utterly unknown. That the early Egyptians may have crossed to America and Central America in prehistoric times is not altogether impossible. Such was the old geological link and the first European route of discovery.

TENNYSON AND HIS ADMIRER.

Mr. Tuckerman, the author of a newly published book entitled "Personal Recollections of Notable People," while he had no personal acquaintance with Tennyson, supplies a suggestive account of a cousin's experience with the British Laureate. The visitor, who had himself published a volume of poems, was an ardent admirer of Tennyson's poetry and had received from the American publisher of the poet's works a letter of introduction, which it was believed would ensure the young man a kindly reception. The letter was duly presented to Tennyson, but the bearer was sadly disappointed at the cold, almost inhospitable greeting, which he at first received. But the visitor was determined to let "Tennyson know that he was an ardent admirer of his poetry, and that he had come to see him as a pilgrim come to a shrine where his heart and sympathies may find expression. He therefore, in a few words, thanked the great man for the privilege of meeting one who had so largely contributed to his intellectual enjoyment. Tennyson scanned the features of his guest, as if searching to know how much sincerity there might be in his avowal, and to test the matter, asked which of the poems he preferred and what particular passage he chanced to remember. My cousin could not have desired a more gratifying question, and thereupon referred to his favorites, and quoted line upon line, and then longer passages, with such unfeigned enthusiasm that it was evident the poet had before him a pure and unadulterate disciple. Tennyson's manner and tone suddenly exhibited a magical transformation. . . . When his guest rose to leave, Tennyson would not listen to it, but insisted upon his remaining to dinner and passing the night.

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PERSONAL.

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Alex. Dunsmuir arrived from the South this morning.

L. Garesche returned from the Sound this morning.

D. Cartmel was a passenger inward by the City of Kingston.

F. Higgins returned this morning from a visit to the Sound.

Dr. W. W. Walkem, M.P.P., is a guest at the New England.

Rev. R. J. Roberts, of Kuper Island, is registered at the New England.

W. E. Ellis, of Vernon, and J. H. King, of Ashcroft, are registered at the Oriental.

T. S. Bale, who for several months has occupied a position on the clerical staff of the Driard, leaves to-night for New York, to accept a position on the Stock Exchange.

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LONDON'S POLICE SYSTEM.

Police statistics, comparatively considered, are generally interesting. London's a big town and a hard one. Items from her police commissioner's last report are the worthy attention. The London force numbers 13497, all told: it has to look after more than 6,000,000 of people, patrol 688 square miles, and guard £38,000,000 of ratable property alone. The actual property under their care is beyond the powers of computation. It says much for their increased efficiency that the average of offenses against property should have sunk during the last ten years from nearly five per 1000 of the population to very little more than three. Criminal offenses of all kinds show a like diminution; while cases of murder have reached the unprecendentedly low number of thirteen, seven of which were due to insanity. The introduction of the anthropometrical system has greatly facilitated the identification of criminals. The London authorities were a long time in discovering the merits of M. Betillon's system, but now that they have adopted it, one may reasonably expect fewer blunders with respect to identity. One branch of the policeman's duty shows a regrettable activity—the lost property office. The public is, if anything, more prone to forget and lose its property than ever, and in the course of one year succeeded in leaving no fewer than 15,000 umbrellas in public carriages. Possibly this may be accounted for by an exceptionally dry season.

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